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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examining this patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification

At page 1, line 6, please add the following:

-- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation of patent Application No. 09/537, 439, entitled "Reflector Communications Channel For Automatic Protection Switching," filed March 27, 2000, and having Jay Hosler and Peter Lothberg as inventors. This application is assigned to CISCO TECHNOLOGY, INC., the assignee of the present invention, and is hereby incorporated by reference, in its entirety and for all purposes. --

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 2 - 42 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

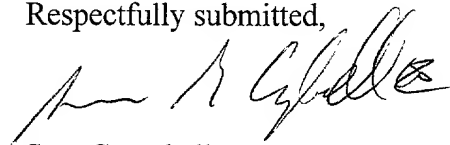
CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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